

# Office of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Telecommunication Equipment Distribution program (TED)



## What is TED?

Managed by the Office of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (ODHH), the Telecommunication Equipment Distribution (TED) program distributes specialized telecommunication equipment that enables Washington residents to have independent use of the telephone.

## Who can use TED?

People (ages 4 and up) who are certified as deaf, hard of hearing, deaf-blind, or speech disable; and live in Washington State are eligible to apply.

## What are the telecommunication equipment options?

### Amplified Telephone



The Ameriphone XL40 Amplified Telephone is designed for individuals with moderate to severe hearing loss. The volume and tone can be adjusted to meet the individual's specific needs.

### Teletypewriter (TTY)



The Teletypewriter (TTY) allows an individual to send and receive messages by typing. Messages appear on a display screen and can also be printed on paper.

## Remote Control Speakerphone (RCS)



The Remote Control Speakerphone (RCS) is a “hands-free” speakerphone for use by individuals with mobility limitations who also have a hearing loss or speech disability.

## Voice Carry Over (VCO) Telephone



The Voice Carry Over (VCO) Telephone by Ameriphone allows an individual to read the incoming conversation and verbally reply, without typing their responses. VCO calls are placed through the Washington Relay Service. VCO benefits individuals who have difficulty understanding spoken conversations over the telephone.

## Signaling Devices

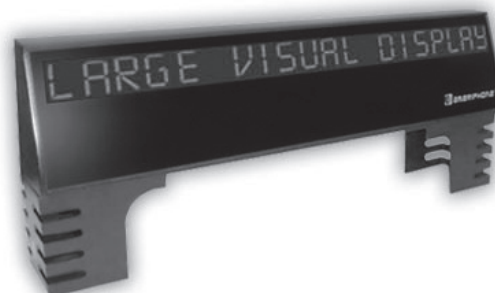


The Lighted Ring Signaler (LRS) is a device which causes a lamp to flash when the telephone rings.



The Audible Ring Signaler (ARS) is an adjustable loudness ringer that plugs into a telephone jack.

## Large Visual Display (LVD)



The Large Visual Display (LVD) is a large display screen that connects to either a TTY or VCO Phone. Individuals with low vision find the large display much easier to read than the standard TTY or VCO display.

## **How can I apply?**

Contact ODHH as listed and request a TED application form  
TED Program Manager:

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## **What other Programs and Services does ODHH offer?**

- Telecommunication Relay Service
- Sign Language Interpreter Management
- Assistive Communication Technology
- Communication Access Network
- Social and Human Services
- Information, Referral and Advocacy
- Outreach and Training

**Social and Human Services are offered by Regional Service Centers of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing throughout Washington at the following locations:**

Bellingham

Seattle

Tacoma

Vancouver

Pasco

Yakima

Spokane

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